

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kemp

Attorney Docket No.: TRIPP013

Application No.: 09/738,267

Examiner: Nguyen, Danny

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Group: 2836

Title: OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION

CIRCUIT

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<u>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL</u>

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee 3
Total Claims	12	MINUS	12	0	x 9 =	x 18 re 0
Independent Claims	4	MINUS	4	0	x 42 =	x 84 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
				Total	\$	\$0

	Applicant(s) hereby petition for a month extension(s) of time to respond to the
	aforementioned Office Action.
\boxtimes	Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is
	determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension
	be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time
	under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
	Enclosed is our Check No in the amount of \$ to cover the additional
	claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
\boxtimes	Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the
	enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. TRIPP013).

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents Box AF Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 7, 2002 Reconsideration of the currently pending claims (reproduced in the attached appendix) is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 10-12 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1-7 and 10-12 were rejected.

The Examiner maintained his rejection of claims 1-7, 10, and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,629,609 (Nguyen), and claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nguyen in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,581,626 (Palmer). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Nguyen teaches a low voltage drop out circuit which employs a voltage regulating